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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG EFIN KU XF

SUBJ: OAPEC DECIDES ON FURTHER ARAB OIL CUTS

REF: KUWAIT 3934

1. IN DRAMATIC MOVE OAPEC MINISTERS DECIDED CUT PRODUCTION BY 25 PERCENT OF SEPTEMBER LEVELS. HOWEVER, 25 PERCENT ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, INCLUDES QUANTITIES ALREADY EMBARGOED TO HOLLAND AND U.S. PRESS REPORTS "FRIENDLY" COUNTRIES NOT AFFECTED. OAPEC MINISTERS REAFFIRMED PRINCIPLE OF ADDITIONAL 5 PERCENT PER MONTH CUTS UNTIL POLITICAL/DIPLOMATIC SITUATION CHANGES. TEXT OF COMMUNIQUE BEING SENT SEPTTEL.

3. OAPEC MEETING ALSO DECIDED TO DELEGATE ALGERIAN MINISTER OF ENERGY AND SAUDI MINISTER OF PETROLEUM TO WESTERN CAPITALS TO EXPLAIN ARAB POINT OF VIEW REGARDING DECISIONS TAKEN. MINISTERS ALSO DECIDED TO MEET FROM TIME TO TIME IN FUTURE AS NEED ARISES TO FOLLOW UP IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISION AND THEIR EFFECTS.

4. COMMENT: LATEST OAPEC DECISION LIKELY TO ATTRACT CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION BUT OVERALL IMPACT IS NOT QUITE AS SERIOUS AS IT MIGHT SEEM BECAUSE OF FACT THAT KUWAIT AND SAUDI ARABIA ALREADY REDUCED PRODUCTION BY ALMOST 25 PERCENT. STILL THIS DECISION WILL PLACE EVEN MORE PRESSURE ON ALREADY SERIOUS OIL SUPPLY/DEMAND SITUATION. WE SCHEDULED SEE KOC OFFICIALS LATER TODAY AND WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DETAILS ASAP.  
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